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RE: MM Docket 93-48

The Federal Communications Commission
Office of The Secretary
1919 M. Street N.W.
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Honorable Secretary:

The Children's Television Act could be strengthened by:

Restricting indecent content of programs inasmuch as the
hours that children may be watching are unpredictable.

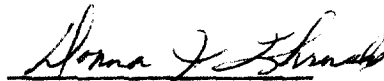
There is an alarming trend of increased vulgarity and
indecent language in daytime and evening television.

If television networks are incapable of regulating
their programming, clearly federal regulation is inevitable.

Thank you,



Loren E. Thrush



Donna J. Thrush
(Mr. and Mrs.)

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To whom it may concern,

I am writing in regards to children's educational and informational programming. I am a concerned citizen who would like to request, as a contingency of licensing renewal, that networks provide a minimum of seven hours per week of educational and informational programming between the hours of 7:00am and 8:00 pm. I would also like definitive guidelines to be place on what can be classified as educational and informational programming. In essence, I do not want shows to make one reference to an academic term and be allowed to call it an educational show.

Thank you for giving us an opportunity to be heard. Networks thrive on today's children and it is time for them to invest in tomorrow's adults.

Sincerely,

Barbara J. Jorgensen

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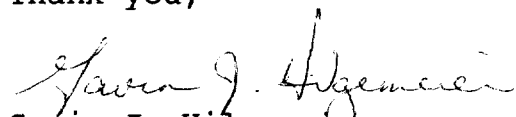
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Secretary:

I hope you are considering the need for children's programing that combats, rather than reinforces homophobia. The violence both self inflicted and perpetuated by others as a result of homophobia can damage, or even end, a person's life.

Thank you,


Gavin J. Hilgemeier

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Please help fulfill the Children's Television Act's objectives by acknowledging gay and lesbian youth. By maintaining "homosexual invisibility", you isolate youth who identify that way, thereby fueling loneliness and ignorance. My youth might have been better had I had a gay character to identify with.

sincerely

Mike Brownstone

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Canoga Park, CALIF

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RE: Time Extension for Kids' TV Debate (docket # 93-48)

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2. The FCC's Web page announcing the debate has just recently removed many of its bugs (though some still remain) which made previously public access to the important materials (such as the NPRM) somewhat difficult.
3. The Center for Educational Priorities is now opening (October 10) its own web site (<http://www.cep.org/kldstv>) which is dedicated to informing the public on key issues in this debate.
4. Television broadcasters and journalists have yet to report to the public on the debate or provide access to information pertaining to it. Our Center has just launched a campaign to encouraging broadcasters and television journalists to cover this debate.

We would greatly appreciate your attention to this request. Thanks for your time and consideration.

Respectfully Submitted,



Brian Burke, Director

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Television can best fulfill
the needs of young viewers by
stopping the violent shows on TV
a good example is Walker Texas
Ranger. Also take the
smutty talk shows off the air.

A concerned grandmother
Jo Ann Anderson

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another concerned grandmother
Shirley Anderson

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Chairman Reed Hundt
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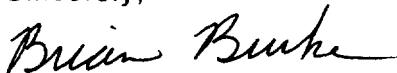
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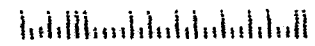
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Dear Sir:


I am very concerned that gratuitous violence consumes a highly disproportionate amount of time on TV. We are surrounded by images that indicate that the solution for any problem is violence. The impact of this is damaging to children and the whole of society. At the very least we must increase the amount of excellent educational programs available for our youngsters of all ages and provide genuine choices for parents and children.

I would like to recommend that:

1. The FCC strengthen the Children's Television Act by requiring that broadcasters provide **three hours weekly** of educational and informational television shows and that this requirement be increased by 30 minutes each year over four years to eventually require **five hours weekly**. This would be a most increase compared to the 27 hours of children's TV common in the 1950's.
2. The FCC require that stations identify programs as educational and informational at the time they are aired and provide identifying information to publishers of programming guides.
3. The FCC restrict the number and duration of commercials on children's shows.
4. The FCC take Reed Hundt's suggestion to require broadcasters in each community to develop a **Contract for Kids and Community**. In each market all broadcasters would state concretely and specifically how they intend to give parents a choice of high quality, decent, nonviolent and educational programming, and how they would give parents the power to choose. In each market broadcasters would tell their audiences at the beginning of their licensing period what they intend to do for kids and the community they serve. Furthermore, the FCC should make it clear to licensees that the renewal of their licenses depended upon compliance with these clear commitments as well as the requirements shown in one, two and three above.

We must stop polluting our television waves with misleading and unrealistic messages. Let's make TV live up to its wonderful potential for educating and uplifting the human spirit.

Sincerely,



Kay Doost
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Greensboro, NC 27403

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